PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2005 -375-W

UTILITIES SERVICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. – APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION WITH THE CITY OF ROCK HILL FOR BULK WATER SERVICE TO BARNEY RHETT SUBDIVISION AND HICKORY HILLS SUBDIVISION IN YORK COUNTY

Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. (USSC or the Company) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for approval of an interconnection of its water systems serving the Barney Rhett and Hickory Hills subdivisions with bulk water facilities of the City of Rock Hill pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-541(Supp. 2004).

USSC is a public utility, as defined by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-10(3) (Supp. 2004), providing water and sewer service to the public for compensation in certain areas of South Carolina pursuant to rates approved by the Commission in Docket Nos. 93-636-W/S, 94-304-W and 96-213-W. Also, there is pending before the Commission an application by USSC for an increase in its rates in Docket No. 2005-217-WS. If the application is approved, USSC will provide service to the affected subdivisions in accordance with such rates as may be approved by the Commission and in effect.

A copy of the Company's application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina, 29210. Additionally, a copy of the application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., P.O. Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202-8416.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, S.C. for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of any hearing will be furnished to interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in the hearing, as a Party of Record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **January 22, 2006** and indicate the amount of time required for his/her presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-375-W*.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address shown below, Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211 and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, at the address shown above, on or before **January 22, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-375-W*.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing at the address shown below, on or before **January 22, 2006**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-375-W*.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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